

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of: Ray C. Smith  
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Entitled: LATCH PROFILE INSTALLATION IN  
EXISTING CASING  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Entry of the following preliminary amendment in the above-identified application, prior to the examination thereof, is respectfully requested.